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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
THE ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE
above Company will be held at the
HONGKONG HOTEL, HONGKONG, on WED-
NESDAY, 27th May, 1914, at noon for
the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with a Statement
of Accounts for the year ending 30th
April, 1914.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 22nd inst
to the 3rd inst both days inclusive.

J. H. D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, May 18, 1914. 630

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of this Company
will be held at the "Raffles" of Messrs.
JAMES MASON & CO., LTD. on
THURSDAY, the 27th MAY at 12.30 P.M.
for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors together with a Statement
of Accounts to 30th April, 1914.
The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from SATUR-
DAY, 23rd to THURSDAY, 28th instant
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, May 16, 1914. 627

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
the Agency of the Paraffine Paint
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Insulating Materials, etc., has from this
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BATTLESHIP DESIGN.

At the recent meeting of the Insti-
tution of Naval Architects, in a paper on
some questions relating to battleship
design, Mr. T. G. Owens, of Messrs. Vic-
kers, Limited, attempted to evolve on
the basis of the various views put for-
ward by experts, a proposal which might
reasonably be said to embody the desir-
able and eliminate the objectionable
features of a battleship in regard to
armament, armoured protection, speed,
dimensions, and other factors.

After discussing the loss of fighting
efficiency necessitated by increase of
speed, the limit in calibre of the primary
guns, and the thickness of armour re-
quired, he expressed the opinion that
there is no great necessity in the present
state of the art for a battleship of greater
calibre than 14 in., which at the
range of probable maximum vision, say,
12,000 yards, would, according to the
Gruv formula and allowing for angle
of descent, pierce the best Krupp armour
of a thickness of 14 in., and deliver a
bursting charge in the interior of the
ship. A four-turret centre-line arrange-
ment, carrying sufficient gun power,
is on the score of supervision, smaller
target, and smaller number of gun crew
required for working, preferable to a
five or six turret arrangement. As re-
gards auxiliary armament, secondary
guns, if carried at all, should be of as
large calibre as can be conveniently
man-handled in respect not only of
charging, but also of training and elevat-
ing them with considerable rapidity. The
height of their axes should be sufficient
to enable them to fight in a reasonable
seaway, but should not be exaggerated,
since undue height leads to large expen-
diture in weight of structure and armour
protection and to increased target.

It should be as numerous as conditions of
accommodation and displacement allow.
The new large type torpedoes of extra-
ordinary range possess a real as well as
a moral worth, and it appears desirable
to fit as many broadside submerged tubes
as space can be found for, preferably not
less than three on each broadside.

AMOUR PROTECTION.

The author put forward the following
propositions as vital:—(1) The water-
line should be protected with armour
from a reasonable depth below to a rea-
sonable height above the normal water-
line, preferably to the main deck, and
for the whole length of the vessel, the
portion along the machinery space and
magazines being so thick as probably to
prevent penetration by projectiles from a
gun of 14 in. or 15 in. at range of 10,000
yards, having the highest practicable
initial velocity; (2) the thickness of the
fixed armour of the barbettes or turrets
should be no less than that of the
waterline belt; (3) the front of the
revolving gun shields of the primary
armament should be at least 10 per cent.
thicker than the waterline belt; (4) the
conning tower armour should be at least
20 per cent. thicker than that of the
waterline belt; and (5) the armour of
the secondary armament should be thick
enough to be able at least to exclude
armour-piercing projectiles from the
largest man-handled gun at the decisive
fighting range of 8,000 yards.

Whether the vertical side armour ex-
tends to the height of the main or the
upper deck is a question that involves
consideration of adequate thickness and
quality of the material, and it is not
possible to say definitely which is the
best. It is probable that the full
length of the side armour, extending
from the main deck to the conning tower,
is the best, and that the thickness of
the side armour should be at least 10
per cent. thicker than that of the
waterline belt, and that the thickness
of the conning tower armour should be
at least 20 per cent. thicker than that
of the waterline belt.

Below the main waterline belt the
K.C. armour 30 in. deep would be worked in.

power obtained was 10.2 i.h.p. per ton
of machinery with steam up, in the
earliest turbine-driven battleships 12½ to
13½ shaft horse power were obtained per
ton.

The exclusive use of oil fuel is alto-
gether desirable from the point of view
of the naval engineer and architect, but
in spite of its advantages the author has
no doubt that under present conditions
as to sources and storage of coal and oil
supplies the safer and safer policy lies
in a combined installation. Although the
development of internal combustion en-
gines has now reached a stage when some
engineers are prepared to install them
in battleships of moderate power and
speed, the possibility of failure, with
the enormous expense involved, has so far
deterred the responsible authorities of
navies from adopting them in large ships,
and he therefore omitted them in con-
sidering his type ship. But he referred to
the possibility of utilising the rotary motion
of turbines, while dispensing with the present boiler
arrangements, by an installation arranged
to produce an expansive motive fluid by
means of the combination of the pro-
ducts of small internal combustion units
with compressed heated air, the motive
fluid being suddenly cooled to avoid
injury to the turbines. He stated that
such an apparatus of comparatively large
power has already been constructed, and
the confidential experiments that have
been carried out with it point in the di-
rection of ultimate success.

DESCRIPTION OF SUGGESTED SHIP.

In conclusion he presented the out-
line of the design of his "most desir-
able" battleship, on the basis of the
considerations set forth in his paper. For
the dimensions he proposed 380 ft. by
91 ft. by 27 ft. 6 in. draught; normal
displacement, 25,500 tons; speed, 21½
knots for a continuous "12 hours" trial,
burning coal and oil; machinery, Per-
sons geared turbines on four shafts, with
gearing turbines on each shaft; boilers,
of large water-tube type, arranged for
moderately high air-pressure. In one
form of the design he proposed eight 14 in.
45-cal. guns, twin-mounted, arranged in
widely-spaced barbettes, with the axis
of all the guns 27 ft. 6 in. above the water-
line, while in an alternative arrangement
the same guns would be twin-mounted
in barbettes, which, however, would be
arranged in pairs at each end of the
ship, with their axes at different heights
above the waterline. In both cases the
secondary armament would consist of 14
6 in. O.P. guns, and there would be six
21 in. broadside submerged torpedo tubes.
The main waterline belt would be of 16 in.
K.C. armour, reduced to 6 in. and 4 in.
at the ends, and the fixed armour, of the
barbettes, where unprotected by other
armour, would be of K.C. quality, equal
in thickness to the main waterline belt.
The front portion of the gun shields
would be 14 in. in thickness. The second-
ary armament would in each case be
protected by K.C. armour not less than
6 in. thick, and the conning tower armour
would be 16 in. thick of K.C. quality.
Below the main waterline belt 30 in. K.C.
armour 30 in. deep would be worked in.

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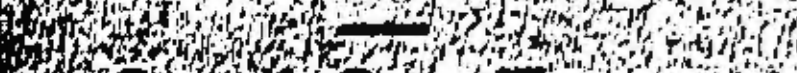
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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

LONDON, May 20.
Sir E. Carson, speaking at Queen's Hall, said "So far as I know, no offer or counter-offer of any kind has been made except the hypocritical sham offer made in the House of Commons."

HOME CRICKET.

LONDON, May 20.
Surrey beat Worcestershire by nine wickets.
Lancashire beat Derbyshire by 35 runs.
Yorkshire beat Essex by an innings and 41 runs.

THE MEXICAN CRISIS.

LONDON, May 20.
A telegram from Washington states that President Wilson informed the United States delegates on leaving for the Niagara Falls that the Government regards a definite settlement with Mexico as requisite prior to her withdrawal from Vera Cruz. He did not give the delegates specific instructions, but told them to await proposals. He added that peace seemed conditional on the elimination of Huerta and the establishment of a strong provisional Government.

Federals Heavily Defeated.

A telegram from El Paso states that General Villa defeated 5000 Federals at Paredon and took 800 prisoners along with several machine guns. Two generals were among the Federals killed.

SEAPLANES FOR THE BRITISH NAVY.

LONDON, May 20.
The Admiralty has ordered seven British-built seaplanes of a new and powerful type.

CRISIS IN ALBANIA.

STRANGE STATE OF AFFAIRS.

LONDON, May 20.
Grave complications have arisen at Durazzo. Some 3,000 Musulmans and insurgent peasants have reached Siak, from Durazzo. They demand exemption from military service and the use of the Albanian tongue in the schools. They accuse Essad Pasha of breaking promises. Meanwhile, an Italian squadron arrived hastily at Durazzo. Essad Pasha and his wife were arrested—(it is uncertain by whom)—and taken on board an Austrian warship.

Marquis San Giuliano, the Italian Foreign Minister, is preparing to proceed to Durazzo.

The whole situation is momentarily most obscure.

Light on the Situation.

A telegram from Budapest states that Count Berchtold informed the Delegations that within the last few days antagonism between Essad Pasha's followers and opponents had become acute, and had led to the formation of bands around Durazzo and consequent anxiety there.

The commanders of Austro-Italian guardships had agreed to land seamen for the protection of the Princely Court, and Essad Pasha was now aboard an Austrian guardship.

LATER.

Further Details.

A telegram from Vienna, prior to the capture of Essad Pasha, states that the Dutch gendarmes bombarded Essad's house.

The "Nene Fraie Presse" states that the Austro-Italian warships of the Prince landed detachments who attacked Essad's house with machine guns.

Essad asked a safe-conduct on board an Italian ship, but this was refused.

A telegram from Rome states that M. Sialiti, the Italian Premier, has left for Durazzo.

WORLD'S MEAT SUPPLY.

GREAT BRITAIN'S POSITION.

LONDON, May 20.
The "Times" directs attention to the fact that the meat supply of Great Britain is largely dependent on the supply of meat from the United States.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE TETRARCH GOING TO THE STUD.

LONDON, May 20.
The "Times" states that it has been definitely decided that The Tetrarch will not race again, and that he goes to the stud next season, probably in Ireland.

ESPIONAGE IN GERMANY.

HEAVY SENTENCE.

LONDON, May 20.
A telegram from Konigsberg states that a non-commissioned Officer of the Third Cuirassiers has been sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude and fined £1500 on being convicted of espionage.

LORD CROMER.

LONDON, May 20.
Lord Cromer has been taken suddenly ill, and it is stated that he has had a stroke of paralysis.

LATER.

Condition Not Serious.

Another telegram states that Lord Cromer is not suffering from paralysis, but from a general breakdown. His condition is not regarded as serious, and he is able to read the papers.

SUGAR COMMISSION.

MODIFICATION IN DUTIES.

LONDON, May 20.
A telegram from Brussels states that the Permanent Sugar Commission has increased the countervailing duties on sugar from Australia and Japan and reduced those of Canadian and Rumanian sugar.

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT BILL.

PASSES THIRD READING.

LONDON, May 20.
The Welsh Disestablishment Bill has passed its third reading by 328 to 251, under the Parliament Act.

SWEDEN'S NEW TAXES.

LONDON, May 20.
A telegram from Stockholm states that the King opened the Riksdag with a speech from the Throne, in which he announced that there would be a special Defence Tax on fortunes and incomes above a certain figure, but that otherwise taxation would remain unchanged.

(Wah Taz Yat Po's Service.)

NEW C. H. R. SUPER-INTENDENT.

PEKING, May 20.
As Kung Cheong has been appointed superintendent of the Canton Hankow Railway, and will leave for Canton to-day.

Peking Editor Charged.

Chu Chi, Editor of the "Peking Daily News," has been charged by the police with publishing official military secrets, the specific offence alleged being that he announced that Chu Shi Chang was to be appointed Vice-Minister for War.

Canton's Commander at Macao.

MACAO, May 20.
Lun Kung Kwong, Military Governor of Canton, paid an official visit to the acting Governor of Macao to-day. The visitor arrived on the gunboat Kwongsat and landed at noon.

China's Finances.

PEKING, May 20.
The Chinese Government proposes to borrow only \$7,500,000 from the Quindap Group, and to postpone the issue of the new loan until the next year.

LANGKAT TRANS-ACTIONS.

BROKER SUES CLIENT.

A Bankrupt Defendant.

Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, in Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court this morning an action was brought by Bernardino Basto, stockbroker, against Li Kin Tong, to recover sums totalling \$12,046.32 being the difference between the contract price of certain Langkat shares purchased by plaintiff as defendant's request, and the realised price of the shares, which defendant failed to take up.

Mr. E. H. Sharpe, K.C., and Mr. G. G. Alabaster, instructed by Messrs. Denton and Bowley, represented plaintiff; defendant did not appear and was not represented.

Mr. Sharp at the outset of his address said he had only been informed, unofficially, at the last moment of coming into Court, that defendant did not propose to defend the action. Also at the last moment he understood that a bankruptcy petition had been filed by defendant. They had communicated with the Official Receiver who had no objection to the action proceeding. They had informed the Official Receiver that they would not claim costs incurred after the filing of the petition. In these circumstances it would not be necessary to detain his Lordship so long as would otherwise have been necessary. Four contracts for the purchase of Langkat between the plaintiff, who acted as defendant's broker, and defendant as principal were in question, and he would ask his Lordship to consider only the first one; the others were similar, with only trifling differences.

This first was entered into on April 21, 1913, on which date defendant called at plaintiff's office and informed him he desired to purchase Langkat. Defendant asked for a price for the June settlement, and instructed him to buy 100 at the market price on that day. The 100 Plaintiff bought the shares from another broker Mr. H. M. Basto, who was a relative, but not connected with his business. Mr. H. M. Basto was now a member of the firm of Logan and Basto. It was a general rule of this stock exchange, as all over the world that where two brokers were employed the name of the principal was not necessarily disclosed. They had present Mr. Smyth, the then President of the Hongkong Stockbrokers Association who would speak as to this custom of the association and the outside brokers.

Mr. Sharp detailed the five documents which contained hands in regard to the transaction. They included a note confirming the purchase signed by defendant, a similar document signed by plaintiff, a receipt for the shares, which were each for the purchase by defendant of 100 Langkats. In the first case plaintiff ascertained the name of the principal to be Mr. Bernardino Basto. The price of the second hundred shares was \$15.24 each. A day before the June settlement plaintiff sent out the usual settlement accounts, the first being to defendant for 200 shares, and others to Messrs. H. M. Basto and Silva the brokers respectively concerned. They were all Shanghai shares, and the brokerage was one half per cent. On the June settlement day Li Kin Tong made default all round. He was concerned in many transactions, but his Lordship was only concerned with this one. Plaintiff said defendant, who admitted his liability but said he could not pay for the shares and asked plaintiff to hold 100 until the next settlement day, promising to make arrangements (which were not consummated) for the sale of the shares. The other shares were sold, and Mr. Basto paid for their purchase on defendant's account with his own cheque. There were 300 shares due to be taken up by defendant for the July settlement, the 100 carried by Mr. Basto and 200 bought for July settlement from Messrs. Raymond and Logan. On July settlement day plaintiff, in company with Mr. H. A. Lamont, met Li Kin Tong and asked him if he was able to take up these 300 shares. Defendant again admitted his liability, but said he was not in a position to take up the shares, and instructed plaintiff to sell them at the best price he could obtain. The value 300 shares sold at the market price and plaintiff claimed the difference between this and the contract price.

Plaintiff gave evidence bearing out his counsel's statement, and added that he was now a member of the local Exchange. Mr. Sharp, in asking his Lordship to certify for two counsel and two expert witnesses, said until he came into Court he had expected the case to be seriously contested. Argument was anticipated on important points of law, and the proofs of the evidence of two expert witnesses had been taken.

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff, certifying for two counsel and one expert witness, and subject to an order of the Court, mentioned by Mr. Sharp being proved, made an order for certain money in Court in connection with a Summary Jurisdiction order, is a share action between the parties to be paid to plaintiff. The money in question, paid by plaintiff in satisfaction of a claim by defendant, was ordered to be paid to remain in Court pending decision of the present action.

A GOOD BULL FOR THE HOME.

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SPORTING.

YACHTING.

A cup, called the "Scotsguard" cup, presented by Messrs. Lowe and Blair, is to be raced for on Sunday next, 24th inst., by the cruiser yacht of the Royal H.K. Yacht Club.

Hongkong Golf Club.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club was held at the Happy Valley pavilion on Monday evening, Mr. E. J. Grist (Captain) presiding. There was a very large attendance, upwards of a hundred being present.

The report and accounts having been passed.

The Chairman detailed the working of the Club during the past year, remarking on the excellent progress that had been made, coupled with a very large increase in membership. There had also been a marked increase in the receipts and payments. Although a great deal of money had been spent on improvements—a considerable portion of which had been written off—after payment of interest on the debenture issue and bank overdraft, the net surplus of profit amounted to upwards of \$5,500.

During the year the clubhouse at Happy Valley had been painted and generally done up; electric light had been installed and accommodation for ladies provided, and the course had been bunkered.

At Deep Water Bay, the clubhouse had been painted and repaired and the committee had under consideration a scheme which would, without great expense, provide water closets and lavatory accommodation in the clubhouse, and further coolie and servants' quarters, as well as lay out water to some of the greens.

With regard to Fanning, the course had been greatly improved, in fact all the heavy work needed to make it into a first class course had been done, and it only now needed time for the course to develop into a first class one. The club house, so much of it as had already been completed, had been completed and paid for, and a steward's bungalow in which accommodation for ladies had been provided, had been completed. But payment therefor did not come into that year's account, as it was on that subject of payment, as well as the payments for kitchen and dressing-rooms at the clubhouse immediately necessitated by the loss by fire of the clubhouse, that comment would arise when it came to asking the Club to sanction the borrowing of a further sum of \$20,000.

The balance sheet showed that the debt of the Club was \$52,000. The work which had already been put in hand, and for which payment would have to be made during the current year, totalled about \$65,000.

At the conclusion of the report, the meeting sanctioned the borrowing of the further sum of \$30,000.

It was decided to throw open the course at Happy Valley to ladies on Sunday afternoons, after 3 p.m.

Mr. F. J. Grist was unanimously re-elected Captain, and Mr. K. M. Cumming, Hon. Sec. The old Committee, consisting of the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Messrs. C. B. Culp, R. O. Hutchison, Col. Radcliffe and Surgeon-General, were re-elected, and Mr. S. H. Dodwell was elected in place of Mr. McMurtrie.

The proceedings terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the Captain, Secretary, and Committee for their services during the past year.

Billiards.

The draw for this year's Tournament took place at the Soldiers' Club on Tuesday, G. S. M. Harris presiding. The draw was as follows:—

FIRST ROUND.
A. D.C.L.I. (B) v. Staff & Departmentals.
B. D.C.L.I. (A) v. 88 Company R.G.A.
C. 87 Coy. R.G.A. v. 83 Company R.G.A.
D. Royal Engineers. Bye.

SECOND ROUND.
E. Winner of A v. Winner of B.
F. Winner of C v. Winner of D.

FINAL.
Winner of E v. Winner of F.

Teams to consist of eight players. Games 200 up. Three games will be played each night. The first commences to-night, the D.C.L.I. "B" team meeting the Staff and Departmentals.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN JAPAN.

In the course of a letter to the Daily News Mr. Joseph H. Longford writes:—

Mr. Y. K. Asano, who has written the government of Japan by the Genji—the older statement—from his foundation shortly after the accession of the late Emperor, down to the eve of the Russian war, takes strong exception to its description in your last issue as "a failure which has brought Imperial glory, but domestic poverty, misery, and discontent." I have lived in every part of the Japanese Empire, from Hokkaido to Southern Formosa, and I have never seen anywhere domestic poverty or misery such as are to be found in abundance in every city of England. The Japanese are the happiest people in the world, and none of them ever suffer from the hunger and cold that are the results of absolute want. There may be political discontent at the present, but where does it not exist where education has raised the working classes to the desire to better their conditions of life, morally, politically, and physically? My answer is that it exists, but that it is not greater than it is in Japan, where I remember that till 20 years ago the people were practically untaxed, and that now they have to bear a burden of taxation greater in proportion to their income than that of the United Kingdom.

And how is it possible to characterize Government as a failure which in the lifetime of one generation raised its country from a condition of apparently hopeless anarchy, bankruptcy, in the sense of a shattered capacity sufficient to supply more than the necessities of its own people, to a position of national defence, and of modern science, with a people more advanced in every sense of progress than the most advanced nations of the world?

EMPIRE DAY SERVICE.

A short commemorative service will be held at St. John's Cathedral on Monday, May 25th, at 9 a.m. when H.E. the Governor will be present. A sermon will be preached by the Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt, C.F.

The service is intended primarily for the British children of the Colony for whom the nave and both transepts will be reserved. The general public will be accommodated in the nave aisles. The musical portion of the service will be rendered by the Band of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry by kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel Tason and officers.

A Government launch, available for Kowloon children, will leave the Police Base, Kowloon, at 8.25 a.m. sharp.

There will also be a service at the same hour at the Roman Catholic Cathedral for children attending the Catholic schools.

PARIS FASHIONS.

What was seen at Antoin.

Paris, April 17.
Paris was almost entirely given over to the English tourist during the Easter holidays, and "l'Anglais tel qu'on le voit" must have bewildered many a French mind by its various accents and different intonations. Most of the women who came over seem to have spent their days in the magasins de nouveautés, where special provision had been made for them under the misleading legend of "bargains." They must have bought up all the modeste in hats, dresses, and tailor-made which have been calling forth our wrath for sometime by their unpleasant lines and clumsy draperies—we will be frankly uncharitable at any rate and hope so, then we shall get new ones, and it is to be expected, more becoming ones.

Our exceptions are founded chiefly on what we saw at Antoin on Sunday and what we know some of the leading dress-makers are making. The splendid light skirt is no longer the right thing to have, and in all the newest models there is something flowing, something ample, something very graceful, a turn of the wheel which completely changes the silhouette. Long tunics and short shoulder caps are the most salient points in the new tailor-made. Both are becoming when properly adjusted, but they need very careful handling, otherwise they look clumsy. In cloth they are not so graceful, but in silk they are charming. It is general to have dresses and caps in the same colour, with brilliant notes of contrasting colour on the bodice and the cape collar. Take for instance, a navy blue taffetas with a waist-coat of yellow and blue stripes showing under an open bodice, with long sleeves of blue taffetas. A touch of yellow stripes will show at the wrist and again on the collar of the short cape, which falls from the shoulders backwards and unlined. The tunic on the skirt will be full and straight to the ankles, and below it there will be a straight, narrow skirt, just wide enough to walk in. A coat will complete the picture, probably in the navy blue and yellow roses.

FLOWERS IN HATS.

The fashion of wearing flowers has brought back that of making roses and carnations in any colour rather than those we see in nature. Moreover, the very flowers we are inclined to pass by in our gardens, as being less lovely than their neighbours are the very ones we choose to wear in our hats and in our waist-belts. There is the dahlia: Who ever gathers the dahlia for the pleasure of putting it into a vase? We use it to decorate the church at its harvest festival and we know it to be a favorite haunt of the earwig, but to wear or to put in our rooms, never! Yet a dahlia trimmed hat is one of the smartest I have seen. The carnella is another flower noted for its stiffness and its lack of grace, yet it, too, is one of those which looks well in imitation, especially on black tulle. The water-lily is another, and as to foliage, the stiffer and more prickly we can get it the better it looks.

STRIPES, CHECKS, AND FLAIDS.

Stripes are still in high favour, and at all the places where the well-dressed gather together there will be some striped dresses. When they are used with discretion they look well, and to some women they are immensely becoming—those with fresh complexion, I think, certainly not to the ones who look at all tired. The most attractive stripes I have seen are those in soft colours and in materials which are copies of old ones. At one time we used them chiefly for furniture coverings. We bought real 18th century dresses for their colour, we paid absurdly high prices for them, and very foolishly we felt injured when they all went to pieces a month or two after they were ready for use. Now, we buy copies of the material both for our chairs and for our dresses, and the result is much more satisfactory.

THE NEW SILHOUETTE.

A Frenchman once said that the Parisienne could change her silhouette quicker than any other woman in the world; and one is inclined to think he is right; for within the last week the silhouette of the well-dressed woman has changed so much that it is a miracle such here happened. The old-line beauty has gone haggard and hony; that is difficult to believe if one has not suddenly grown rosy cheeks, round of limb, and capable, one would say of digesting good, unwholesome food. It walks with a springy gait and with a head of striking lines with the speckle of innocent, fathered victims in crown itself with gorgeous flower blossoms. In fact, the new beauty is of the old-fashioned kind, which at one time was supposed to appeal to "a young man's fancy in the spring; and although it is a few weeks from now we shall probably be looking against the golden-faded hips, embonpoint shoulders, and said bustle, which, by-and-by, I heard a polite and old gentleman, smiling at "dress improvers," the other day. It will be a pity if this movement towards grace and a certain simplicity, which has been so long in coming, should be a mere passing fancy, and that the old-line beauty should be a mere passing fancy, and that the old-line beauty should be a mere passing fancy.

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